

## Message Text

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INFO OCT-01 NEA-10 ISO-00 ACDA-05 CIAE-00 DODE-00 H-02

INR-07 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15

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FM AMEMBASSY COLOMBO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3652  
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S E C R E T COLOMBO 3436

E.O. 11652 GDS  
TAGS: MPOL, PFOR, US, CENTO, XO  
SUBJ: INDIAN OCEAN DEPLOYMENT

REF: STATE 253945 (242210Z OCT 75)

1. CEYLON DAILY MIRROR FRONT PAGES OCTOBER 29  
A TASS DESPATCH READING AS FOLLOWS: "A SQUADRON  
OF U.S. SHIPS, LED BY THE 'MIDWAY' AIRCRAFT  
CARRIER, LESI SINGAPORE PORT TODAY. A UPI  
CORRESPONDENT REPORTS FROM SINGAPORE THAT MOST  
LIKELY THE U.S. SHIPS ARE BOUND FOR THE INDIAN  
OCEAN THROUGH THE STRAIT OF MALACCA. REGULAR  
CALLS BY SHIPS OF THE U.S. SEVENTH FLEET TO THE  
INDIAN OCEAN CAUSE STRONG PROTESTS OF THE  
PEOPLES AND GOVERNMENTS OF LITTORAL STATES. IN  
COUNTRIES OF THE INDIAN OCEAN VISITS ARE LINKED  
WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BIG MILITARY BASE  
ON DIEGO GARCIA ISLAND BY THE PENTAGON."

2. RE GUIDANCE CONTAINED IN PARA 5, REFTTEL,  
IT IS NOT ACCURATE THAT ONLY U.S. NAVAL PRESENCE  
IN INDIAN OCEAN HAS BEEN MIDEASTFOR SINCE  
DEPARTURE OF GUIDED MISSILE CRUISER REEVES  
TASK GROUP LAST MONTH, SINCE PACFLT UNITS  
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CRUISER WORDEN, DESTROYER ESCORT TURNER JOY

AND OILER MISPILLION ARE DUE TO CALL AT  
COLOMBO OCTOBER 30.  
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